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COMNAVREGSW INSTRUCTION 1700.11

Subj: PROHIBITION OF UNDERAGE DRINKING ON NAVY REGION SOUTHWEST MILITARY INSTALLATIONS

Ref: (a) SECNAVINST 1700.11C

- 1. $\underline{\text{Purpose}}$. To publish regulations regarding the sale, purchase, possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages on military installations within Navy Region Southwest in keeping with reference (a).
- 2. <u>Scope</u>. This instruction applies to all active duty personnel, permanently or temporarily serving, stationed, or assigned within the regional coordination authority (California, Nevada and Arizona) of Commander, Navy Region Southwest.
- 3. <u>Background</u>. Use of alcoholic beverages on military installations must be consistent with the overriding need for military readiness, discipline and community safety. Holding accountable underage drinkers and those who enable underage drinking helps generate opportunities for intervention and treatment, while ensuring good order and discipline.
- 4. <u>Action</u>. In meeting this objective, the sale, purchase, possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages will be governed by the following considerations:
- a. The sale, purchase, possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages on military installations within Navy Region Southwest shall be limited to individuals who have attained the age of 21 years or older.
- b. Individuals who are 21 years or older, who use alcoholic beverages, must do so responsibly. Except as allowed in reference (a), at no time should any individual sell, purchase, or in anyway provide alcoholic beverages to an individual who is not 21 years of age while on a military installation within Navy Region Southwest.

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- c. Per reference (a), the Chief of Naval Operations and the Commandant of the Marine Corps may authorize exceptions to permit the sale, purchase, possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages to/by underage military personnel. Requests for exceptions shall be made via the chain of command.
- 5. <u>Definition</u>. The term "alcoholic beverages" means wines, distilled spirits, and malt beverages.
- 6. <u>Punitive effect and authority</u>. Subparagraphs a and b of paragraph 4 of this instruction constitute lawful general orders, punitive in nature. Violations are punishable in accordance with the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

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